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REPORT

Soviet Troop Trains and Supply Shipments by Rail

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 10 to 26 July 1953

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Military shipments between 18 and 23 July 1953 included:

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Date in July	Shipment	From	To
18	6 boxcars and 7 flatcars with soldiers and vehicles	Frankfurt/Oder	Jueterbog
	1 SS-type flatcar with one IS tank	Frankfurt/Oder; Unit Markin (fnu)	Kirchmoeser
21	2 boxcars and 6 flatcars with soldiers, motorcycles, 2 half-track trucks, truck and T-34 tanks	Frankfurt/Oder	Lieberose; Unit Markin (fnu)
22	2 boxcars with tank engines	Eberswalde;	Frankfurt/Oder;
23	1 SS-type flatcar with one JS tank	Kirchmoeser	Frankfurt/Oder;
	2 flatcars with trucks	Frankfurt/Oder border	Leipzig; Flagwitz

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2 SS-type flatcars with  
two tanks

Lieberose

Frankfurt/Oder

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2. Military shipments listed in railroad records on 20 July included:

ShipmentFromTo

10 flatcars with  
eight pontons each,  
1 flatcar with  
bridge construction planks, and  
1 flatcar with iron engineer  
equipment

Fuerstenwalde

Saalfeld

6 SS-type flatcars

Wuensdorf

Schwenitz

Klotzsche

Peitz

Cottbus

Eisenach

Koenigsbrunn

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3. Between 10 and 19 July, no troop trains passed the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station toward Poland.

4. Between 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on 25 July, railroad traffic from the east to Frankfurt/Oder was stopped. [redacted] trains were blocked at the Kunersdorf railroad station. Between 18 and 24 and on 26 July, eastbound and westbound railroad traffic were regular. Observations from the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard could not be obtained.

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[redacted] Comment. The train probably was identical with the troop train [redacted] which hauled an AAA unit, possibly of the 32nd AAA Div (US), to Justerbog. [redacted]

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[redacted] Comment. Probably troop trains of the 7th Gds Mecz Div. The turret numbers belonged to the 57th Gds Tank Regt of the division. A Markin (Shu) is unknown and probably belongs to the Hq 7th Gds Mecz Div.

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[redacted] Comment. The 45th Gds Engr Pn of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div is carried in Saalfeld. The unit probably received pontons and bridge equipment from the GOFG engineer depot from Ketschendorf [redacted]

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[redacted] Comment. The shipments probably contained tanks repaired at the previously reported T-34 tank repair shop at Wuensdorf, which were returned to Soviet units.

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